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1. ON MARCH 19 THE SENATE PASSED BY A VOTE OF 57 TO 40, THE MOST FAVORABLE VOTE IN RECENT YEARS, A FOREIGN AID APPROPRIATION TOTALLING $3.9 BILLION. WHILE APPROXIMATELY $2 BILLION BELOW ORIGINAL ADMINISTRATION REQUEST, SENATE VOTE WAS $450 MILLION ABOVE TOTAL APPROPRIATION BY HOUSE
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2. SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE AMENDMENT TO INCREASE IPR FUNDS FROM $440 MILLION HOUSE BILL TO $499 MILLION WAS REJECTED BY A VOTE OF 65 TO 30. AMENDMENT BY SENATOR HUMPHREY TO INCREASE FOOD AID FROM HOUSE LEVEL OF $234 MILLION TO $450 MILLION WAS PASSED BY 53 TO 41. AFTER UNFAVORABLE VOTE ON IPR, NO AMENDMENT WAS SUBMITTED TO INCREASE MAP APPROPRIATION LEAVING CONFERENCE COMMITTEE TO DECIDE ON COMPROMISE BETWEEN HOUSE APPROPRIATION OF $490 MILLION FOR MAP AND SENATE FIGURE OF $450 MILLION.

3. HOUSE SENATE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MET MARCH 20 AND REPORTED AID BILL AT $2.8 BILLION. CONFERENCE REPORTED MAP AT $475 MILLION, FMS AT $300 MILLION, FOOD DEVELOPMENT AT $300 MILLION, IO AT $125 MILLION, POPULATION HEALTH, ETC. $125 MILLION, SUPPORTING ASSISTANCE AT $660 MILLION AND NARCOTICS AT $17.5 MILLION. IPR REMAINED AT $440 MILLION. REPORT NOW GOES TO BOTH HOUSES FOR ACTION. INGERSOLL

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